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Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the subject application for the purpose of entering the National Stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- an English translation of the International Application.
- Six (6) sheets of drawings illustrating Figs. 1-9.
- an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- a copy of the executed Assignment and Form PTO-1595.
- Form PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR/IPER references.
- a copy of each reference cited in the ISR/IPER.
- a Preliminary Amendment.
- It is expressly requested that National Stage processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §371(f).

Copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment documents will be submitted at a later date.

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## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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### A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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### B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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Jitsuyo Shinan Koho	1926-1996	Toroku Jitsuyo Shinan Koho	1994-2003
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### C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	US 5395475 A (BRIDGESTONE CORP.), 07 March, 1995 (07.03.95), Claim 1; Fig. 1 & JP 5-131565 A Claim 1; Fig. 1	1-7
A	JP 2002-200678 A (The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd.), 16 July, 2002 (16.07.02), Claim 1 (Family: none)	1-7
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